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SUBJ: REGIONAL REPROCESSING SE ASIA

ERDA FOR A.S. FRIEDMAN FROM HENOCHE; SEOUL FOR LAWLESS;  
MANILA FOR DUGAN

REF: SEOUL 2743

1. ERDA SCIREP MET APRIL 27 WITH ERG OFFICIAL AT HIS REQUEST TO DISCUSS STATUS REGIONAL REPROCESSING SOUTHEAST ASIA. ERG OFFICIAL INDICATED VP TOKYO ELECTRIC POWER, TANAKA, USUALLY EXTREMELY CAUTIOUS, SUDDENLY VERY EXCITED ABOUT POSSIBILITY REGIONAL REPROCESSING PLANT.

2. REFTTEL INDICATED KOREA'S ACTIVE INTEREST IN PROMOTING REGIONAL REPROCESSING AND WILLINGNESS TO LOCATE PLANT IN SOUTH KOREA BUT RECOGNIZED THAT JAPAN AND US AS TECHNOLOGICALLY ADVANCED MUST TAKE LEAD. UNSETTLED SITUATION IN ROK AND JAPAN'S CURRENT UNCOMFORTABLE RELATION ROK JUDGED NOT TO BE CONDUCIVE TO JOINT GOJ-ROK ARRANGEMENT OR TO LOCATE PLANT IN ROK.

3. SCIREP DISCUSSIONS WITH PHILIPPINE AEC DEGUZMAN ON MAY 8 1975 IN MANILA REVEALED PAEC MOST INTERESTED IN COOPERATIVE CONFIDENTIAL

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REGIONAL PROJECT AND INDICATE HIGH PROBABILITY OF LOCATING ACCEPTABLE SITE FOR PLANT IN PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. ERG TENTATIVELY FINDS PHILIPPINE PROSPECT ATTRACTIVE RECOGNIZES NEED FOR US PARTICIPATION FOR TECHNICAL, FINANCIAL AND POLITICAL

REASONS.

4. ERG REQUESTS US CONSIDER POSSIBILITY JOINT US-JAPAN-PHILIPPINE TRILATERAL UNDER WHICH SUCH PLANT MIGHT BE DESIGNED, CONSTRUCTED AND OPERATED.

5. FIRST STEP MIGHT BE JOINT FEASIBILITY STUDY LED BY TECHNICALLY QUALIFIED US FIRM SUCH AS EXXON-NUCLEAR, ALLIED CHEMICAL, NFS, GETTY OIL, GE OR BECHTEL, TO EVALUATE TECHNICAL, ECONOMIC AND SITING ASPECTS.

6. TENTATIVELY, KOREA, TAIWA, AND OTHER REGIONAL NUCLEAR STATES COULD BE NON-PARTICIPATING CUSTOMERS.

7. REQUEST REVIEW, INSTRUCTIONS.  
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